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Security Council

10 a.m. 6581st meeting Security Council Chamber GA-TSC-01

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. Children and armed conflict[1]

   Report of the Secretary-General on children and armed conflict (S/2011/250)

   Letter dated 1 July 2011 from the Permanent Representative of Germany to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General (S/2011/409)

[1]Delegations are kindly requested to limit their statement to no more than *four minutes*.

General Assembly
Sixty-fifth session

Informal informal consultations on an outcome document of the High-level Meeting on the prevention and control of non-communicable diseases will be held on Wednesday, 13 July 2011 at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 2 (NLB).

Security Council

The Security Council Ad Hoc Working Group on Conflict Prevention and Resolution in Africa will hold a seminar on "Early warning tools and indicators to assess the risk of election-related violence in Africa", on Wednesday, 13 July 2011, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 6 (NLB). The seminar is open to all Member States.

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General Assembly
Sixty-fifth session

The General Assembly will hold a plenary meeting on Thursday, 14 July 2011, at 10 a.m. on agenda item 114 (Admission of new Members to the United Nations).

General Assembly
Sixty-fifth session

High-level Meeting on Youth
25–26 July 2011

Organizational arrangements for the High-level Meeting on Youth are described in the information note contained in the letter dated 20 June 2011, from the President of the General Assembly to permanent representatives and permanent observers. In particular, the list of speakers is now open for the formal plenary meetings to be held on Tuesday, 26 July 2011, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 5 p.m. in the General Assembly Hall.

For inscription, kindly send an e-mail indicating the name and the level of the speaker to the General Assembly Affairs Branch (heddachem@un.org). Delegations are reminded that their statements should not exceed *three minutes* when speaking in the national capacity and *five minutes* when speaking on behalf of a group.

The two thematic panel discussions will be held on Monday, 25 July 2011, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in the General Assembly Hall. Background papers for each panel discussion will be provided shortly. Participation will be without a list of speakers being maintained. However, Member States are encouraged to communicate to the General Assembly Affairs Branch (e-mail heddachem@un.org) the panel discussions in which they wish to intervene.

General Assembly
Sixty-fifth session

The General Assembly will hold a plenary meeting on Wednesday, 27 July 2011, at 10 a.m., to consider agenda item 162 (Follow-up to the high-level meeting held on 24 September 2010: revitalizing the work of the Conference on Disarmament and taking forward multilateral disarmament negotiations).

General Assembly

Sixty-fifth session

Interactive thematic debate on "The role of regional and sub-regional arrangements in implementing the responsibility to protect"[1]

Opening

10 a.m. Conference Room 4 (NLB)

Panel discussion 1: "Regional and sub-regional perspectives and experience"

10.15 a.m.–1 p.m. Conference Room 4 (NLB)

Moderator: H.E. Mr. Joseph Deiss (Switzerland), President of the General Assembly

Remarks by the Secretary-General

3–3.15 p.m. Conference Room 4 (NLB)

Panel discussion 2: "United Nations perspectives and experience"

3.15–5.50 p.m. Conference Room 4 (NLB)

Moderator: H.E. Mr. Joseph Deiss (Switzerland), President of the General Assembly

Closing

5.50–6 p.m. Conference Room 4 (NLB)

[1] A letter from the President of the General Assembly, dated 7 July 2011, containing the information note and tentative programme, was sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.

General Assembly

Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

10 a.m.–1 p.m.	Closed meeting	Conference Room 10 (NLB)
3–6 p.m.	Closed meeting	Conference Room 10 (NLB)
	Executive meeting	

Independent Audit Advisory Committee

Fifteenth session

9.30 a.m.–12.30 p.m.	Closed meeting	Conference Room 7 (NLB)
3–6 p.m.	Closed meeting	Conference Room 7 (NLB)

United Nations Board of Auditors

Sixty-fifth session

10 a.m.–1 p.m.	Closed meeting	Conference Room 5 (NLB)
3–6 p.m.	Closed meeting	Conference Room 5 (NLB)

Preparatory Committee for the United Nations Conference on the Arms Trade Treaty
Third session

10 a.m.–1 p.m. 3rd meeting Conference Room 1 (NLB)

3–6 p.m. 4th meeting Conference Room 1 (NLB)

Recommendations on the elements that would be needed to attain an effective and balanced legally binding instrument on the highest possible common international standards for the transfer of conventional arms [3]

[Participants are kindly requested to communicate the composition of their delegations to the Secretary, Mr. Timur Alasaniya (c/o Ms. Isabel Alejandrino (e-mail alejandrino@un.org; fax 1 (212) 963-5305)). Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales will be accepted by e-mail. Lists of delegations can also be delivered to the office of the Disarmament and Peace Affairs Branch (room IN-608C).]

[The official documents, background information and other materials on the on-going Arms Trade Treaty process are available at <www.un.org/disarmament/convarms/ATTPrepCom>. For inquiries concerning the Web site, please contact the United Nations Office for Disarmament Affairs (e-mail conventionalarms-unoda@un.org).]

Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women

Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women
Forty-ninth session

10 a.m.–1 p.m. 978th meeting Conference Room 3 (NLB)

3–5 p.m. 979th meeting Conference Room 3 (NLB)

Consideration of reports submitted by States parties under article 18 of the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women [4]

Introduction of the combined fifth and sixth periodic report of Costa Rica (CEDAW/C/CRI/5-6)

Working Group of the Whole

5–6 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 3 (NLB)

Other meetings

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Tuesday, 12 July 2011

International Criminal Court: Bureau of the Assembly of States Parties

8.45–9.30 a.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 6 (NLB)

Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) (informal consultations on the arms trade treaty)

9–9.45 a.m. Closed meeting Conference Room A (NLB)

Group of 77 (on the High-level Meeting on Youth)

9–10 a.m.	Closed meeting	Conference Room E (NLB)

Group of 77 (on non-communicable diseases)

11 a.m.–1 p.m.	Closed meeting	Conference Room A (NLB)
3–6 p.m.	Closed meeting	Conference Room A (NLB)

Other activities

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Tuesday, 12 July 2011

Round table on "Democracy and human rights: The role of the United Nations" (co-organized by the Office of the Permanent Observer for the International Institute for Democracy and Electoral Assistance (International IDEA), the United Nations Department of Political Affairs (DPA) and the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR), with the collaboration of the Permanent Mission of Italy)

From 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room B (NLB).

[For registration and further information, please contact Ms. Jessica Pomerantz, International IDEA (e-mail j.pomerantz@idea.int; tel. 1 (212) 286-1084).]

Briefing on "The humanitarian situation and response in the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya and the Sudan" (by the Humanitarian Coordinator for Libya and the Deputy Director of the Coordination and Response Division, Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA))

At 2.30 p.m., in Conference Room 1 (OCHA Office, 380 Madison Avenue, 6th Floor).

[The briefing is open to members of permanent missions and permanent observer missions. For further information, please contact Ms. Cora dela Pena, OCHA (e-mail penac@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-2998).]

Press conferences

The schedule below is tentative; up-to-date information can be obtained at <www.un.org/News/ossg/conf.htm>.

Tuesday, 12 July 2011

Security Council stakeout

10.30 a.m.[1]	H.E. Mr. Guido Westerwelle, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Germany

Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium

12 noon	Press briefing by the Spokesperson

[1] Approximately.

Forthcoming official meetings

Security Council

Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1267 (1999) concerning Al-Qaida and the Taliban and associated individuals and entities
Briefing

The Ombudsperson of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1267 (1999), Ms. Kimberly Prost, will hold an open briefing for interested Member States, on Thursday, 14 July 2011, at 3 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber (NLB).

At the briefing, the Ombudsperson will provide an update on the work of her office after one full year of operation, and she will also describe the new aspects of her mandate, which was strengthened, pursuant to the adoption of Security Council resolution 1989 (2011).

The Ombudsperson looks forward to this mutually beneficial dialogue with Member States and will be pleased to answer any questions that representatives of Member States may wish to raise at this briefing.

General Assembly

Ad Hoc Committee on the Indian Ocean
2011 session

The Ad Hoc Committee on the Indian Ocean will hold its 2011 session on Thursday, 14 July 2011, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 6 (NLB). The provisional agenda is contained in document A/AC.159/L.141 and the draft report of the Committee is contained in document A/AC.159/L.142.

Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities

Conference of the States Parties
Fourth session

The Secretary-General has the honour to inform Member States that the fourth session of the Conference of the States Parties to the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities will take place at United Nations Headquarters from Wednesday, 7, to Friday, 9 September 2011.

The provisional agenda of the fourth session of the Conference is now available at the following address: <www.un.org/disabilities/default.asp?id=1571>. The high-level segment will take place on Wednesday, 7 September, in the morning.

States parties are kindly requested to communicate to the Secretariat the relevant information, indicating the full name and title of each member of the high-level delegation; and the accessibility requirements that delegates may have (such as wheelchair access, hearing loops, Braille documents, large print documents, CD or sign languages interpretation), to Mr. Guozhong Zhang, Secretariat of the

Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (e-mail zhangg@un.org; fax 1 (212) 963-3062).

A Civil Society Forum will be take place on Tuesday, 6 September, from 3 to 6 p.m. Information concerning NGO accreditation and registration is now available at the following address: <www.un.org/disabilities/default.asp?id=1577>.

Further information concerning the Conference of the States Parties will be announced at a later stage on the Web site of United Nations Enable <www.un.org/disabilities>.

General Assembly
Security Council

Peacebuilding Commission
Fifth session

Liberia configuration

An informal meeting of the Liberia configuration of the Peacebuilding Commission will be held on Wednesday, 13 July 2011, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 4 (NLB).

Economic and Social Council
Substantive session of 2011

Informal informal consultations

Informal informal consultations, convened by the facilitator, Mr. Jorge Laguna Celis (Mexico), on the draft decision on "Human settlements" (under agenda item 13 (d) of the substantive session of the Council), will be held on, Wednesday, 13 July 2011, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room E (NLB).

Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme, the United Nations Population Fund and the United Nations Office for Project Services
Informal consultations

The Executive Board will hold informal consultations as indicated below. All interested delegations are invited to attend.

Wednesday, 13 July 2011, from 3 to 5 p.m. in Conference Room 5 (NLB): Basic elements of the current UNDP programming arrangements, 2008-2013; and

Thursday, 14 July 2011, from 3 to 5 p.m. in Conference Room 5 (NLB): Proposed changes to the Financial Regulations and Rules of UNDP.

Forthcoming other meetings

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Contact Group on Piracy off the Coast of Somalia (9th plenary meeting) (under the chairmanship of Singapore)

Thursday, 14 July 2011, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 4 (NLB).

Western European and Other States Group: Open-ended Working Group on a possible WEOG rotation scheme for the Security Council (convened by the Permanent Missions of the Netherlands and San Marino)

Tuesday, 19 July 2011, at 11 a.m. in Conference Room 5 (NLB).

Eastern European Group (monthly meeting)

Wednesday, 20 July 2011, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 6 (NLB).

Asian Group: Open-ended Working Group

Friday, 22 July 2011, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 4 (NLB).

Forthcoming other activities

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Panel discussion on "The International Criminal Court and the protection of civilians" (in celebration of International Justice Day) (organized by the Coalition for the International Criminal Court, under the auspices of the Permanent Mission of Liechtenstein)

Friday, 15 July 2011, from 10 a.m. to 12 noon in Conference Room 2 (NLB).

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please click here; or contact Ms. Meriam Manell Sassi, Coalition for the ICC (e-mail sassi@coalitionfortheicc.org).]

Briefing on "The humanitarian situation and response in the Horn of Africa" (by the Under-Secretary-General for Humanitarian Affairs and Emergency Relief Coordinator)

Friday, 15 July 2011, from 3 to 4 p.m. in Conference Room 6 (NLB).

[The briefing is open to members of permanent missions and permanent observer missions. For further information, please contact Ms. Cora dela Pena, OCHA (e-mail penac@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-2998).]

UNITAR Seminar on International Trade Law and Policy

Monday, 18 July 2011, from 10 a.m. to 1.15 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room D (NLB);

Tuesday, 19 July 2011, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room D (NLB);

Wednesday, 20 July 2011, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room D (NLB);

Thursday, 21 July 2011, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room D (NLB); and

Friday, 22 July 2011, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room D (NLB).

[All are invited to attend. For registration, please visit <www.unitar.org/ny>. For further information, please contact Ms. Mitali Gupta, UNITAR (e-mail mitali.gupta@unitar.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-3021).]

UNDEF/UNITAR Seminar on the Interdependence between Democracy and Development

Thursday, 1 September 2011, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room B (NLB).

[All are invited to attend. For registration, please visit the following site: <www.unitar.org/ny/DemocracyandDevelopment>. For further information, please contact Mr. Olivier Portoff, UNITAR (e-mail olivier.portoff@unitar.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-3021).]

Forthcoming official meetings held away from Headquarters

Economic and Social Council

Substantive session of 2011
United Nations Office at Geneva
(4–29 July 2011)

Lists of speakers

The lists of speakers for all segments are indicated below. If no specific reference is made to a list of speakers, it implies that no such list is being maintained. The lists are open for inscription. The deadlines for inscription are indicated in the relevant paragraphs below. Requests for inscription on the lists of speakers should be sent, *in writing*, indicating the full name and title of the speaker, to the secretariat of the Council (Ms. Lorna Fidler (e-mail fidler@un.org)). In order to accommodate all requests for inscription, statements during the general debate of the high-level segment and during all other segments will be limited to five minutes, with the understanding that the full texts of the statements can be circulated in the meeting room.

Coordination segment (11–14 July (morning))

A list of speakers will be maintained for the general discussion of agenda items 4, 6 (a), 7 (a) and 7 (e). The list will close by 5 p.m. on the day before the general discussion of the items. A detailed programme for the segment is available on the Web site of the Council <www.un.org/en/ecosoc/julyhls/pdf11/11_cs-hls_programme.pdf>.

Operational activities segment (14 July (afternoon)–19 July (morning))

A list of speakers will be maintained for the general discussion of item 3. The list will close by 5 p.m. on the day before the general discussion of the item. A detailed programme for the segment is available on the Web site of the Council <www.un.org/en/ecosoc/julyhls/pdf11/11_oa-hls_programme.pdf>.

Informal event to discuss the transition from relief to development (19 July (morning))

Panel discussion on the topic "The role of the United Nations and the international community in supporting the capacity of the Government of South Sudan to manage the transition"

There will be no established list of speakers.

Humanitarian affairs segment (19 July (afternoon)–21 July)

A list of speakers will be maintained for the general discussion of item 5. The list will close by 5 p.m. on the day before the general discussion of the item. A detailed programme of the segment will be posted on the Web site of the Council shortly.

General segment (22–28 July)

Lists of speakers will be maintained for the general discussion of each item under the general segment. The lists will close by 5 p.m. on the day before the consideration of the item. A detailed programme of the segment is available on the Web site of the Council <www.un.org/en/ecosoc/julyhls/pdf11/11_gs-hls_programme.pdf>.

Conclusion of work (29 July)

The Council will conclude its work of its substantive session of 2011 on Friday, 29 July.

Registration and accreditation

Information regarding registration and accreditation for the 2011 substantive session of the Economic and Social Council is available on the Web site of the Council <www.un.org/en/ecosoc/substantive2011/docs/2011_registration_&_accreditation.pdf>.

List of participants

Delegations should send, *in writing*, on the official letterhead, the names and titles of the members of their delegations (please indicate clearly the head and alternate head of delegation) as they would like them to appear in the official list of participants. Please send this composition of delegation to the secretariat of the Council by e-mail (Ms. Mary Constable (e-mail constablem@un.org)), as soon as possible, *but no later than 25 July 2011*. The list of participants will be issued as part of the official documents of the session.

Statements

In order to facilitate interpretation, delegations are kindly requested to provide 40 copies of their statements to the Conference Officers. Delegations wishing to have the full text of statements circulated in the meeting should provide 250 copies of the same to the Conference Officers.

Press releases

The daily press releases issued during the 2011 substantive session of the Economic and Social Council are available on the Web site of the United Nations Office at Geneva. To access the list, please click here.

Announcements

General Assembly

Seating protocol for the sixty-sixth session

On Wednesday, 22 June 2011, the Secretary-General drew from among the Member States the name of Turkmenistan to occupy the first seat in the General Assembly Hall at the sixty-sixth session. Consequently, the delegation of Turkmenistan will sit at the first desk at the right of the President, and the other countries will follow in the English alphabetical order. The same order will be observed in the Main Committees.

Training for delegates and staff of permanent missions

The Dag Hammarskjöld Library will conduct the following training for delegates and staff of permanent missions in Room DC2-1142, as indicated below. All interested are kindly requested to register by e-mail (librarytraining@un.org) or telephone (1 (212) 963-5321).

Introduction to United Nations documentation

In English:

Wednesday, 13 July 2011, from 10 a.m. to 12 noon; and
Wednesday, 27 July 2001, from 10 a.m. to 12 noon.

In French:

Wednesday, 20 July 2011, from 10 a.m. to 12 noon.

Tentative schedule of General Assembly plenary and related meetings

The tentative schedule of General Assembly plenary and related meetings may now be accessed on the Web site of the General Assembly at the following address: <www.un.org/en/ga/info/meetings>.

Security Council

Communications to the President of the Security Council

Communications addressed to the President of the Security Council should be delivered to the Offices of the Security Council Secretariat Branch (room 08083, 730 Third Avenue (between 45th and 46th Streets); tel. 1 (212) 963-5258).

Web site of the presidency

The Web site of the presidency of the Security Council can be visited at <www.un.org/sc/presidency.asp>.

Recorded information

Recorded information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by calling 1 (212) 963-8530, or by clicking on "Daily Programme" on the Web site of the Security Council <www.un.org/Docs/sc>.

Prepared statements

Speakers in the Security Council are advised that providing in advance copies of prepared statements which they intend to read out in the Council greatly facilitates

the work of the Secretariat by permitting a sufficient number of copies to be distributed to all meeting participants and by assisting interpreters, verbatim reporters and press officers in maintaining the quality of the product delivered. Both interpretations and verbatim records rely upon the statement actually delivered, but copies of texts help interpreters to correctly render details and nuances and help verbatim reporters to produce the written record more quickly. Speakers are therefore encouraged, whenever possible, to provide copies of their statements, as early as possible in advance of delivery, to the Conference Officer in the Chamber.

Delegations are kindly requested to make 40 copies for minimum distribution to Council members and relevant services, and 200 additional copies for general distribution in the Security Council Chamber.

Delegations wishing to make statements available for the media are kindly requested to deliver 50 copies to the Media Documents Centre (e-mail mdc@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-7166; room SA-1B12).

Access to back issues of the *Journal of the United Nations*

Back issues of the *Journal of the United Nations*, in English and French, can be accessed at the following addresses: <www.un.org/en/documents/journal.asp> and <www.un.org/fr/documents/journal.asp>.

All comments and suggestions about the *Journal* are welcomed. Kindly contact the office of the *Journal* at journal@un.org.

Summary of official meetings

Monday, 11 July 2011

Security Council

6578th meeting (closed) *Meeting of the Security Council with the troop- and police- contributing countries pursuant to resolution 1353 (2001), annex II, sections A and B*

United Nations Operation in Côte d'Ivoire

The Security Council met in private. At the close of the meeting, the following communiqué was issued by the Secretary-General in accordance with rule 55 of the provisional rules of procedure of the Council:

"On 11 July 2011, the Security Council, pursuant to annex II, sections A and B of resolution 1353 (2001), held its 6578th meeting in private with the troop- and police-contributing countries to the United Nations Operation in Côte d'Ivoire."

"The Security Council and the troop- and police-contributing countries heard a briefing under rule 39 of its provisional rules of procedure by Mr. Edmond Mulet, Assistant Secretary-General for Peacekeeping Operations."

"Members of the Council, Mr. Mulet, and representatives of participating contributing countries had an exchange of views."

6579th meeting — *Reports of the Secretary-General on the Sudan*

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The Council began its consideration of the item on its agenda.

The President drew attention to the text of a draft resolution contained in document S/2011/417.

Before the vote, the representatives of the Russian Federation and the United States made comments.

The Council proceeded to vote on the draft resolution (S/2011/417) before it.

Decision: The draft resolution (S/2011/417) received 15 votes in favour, none against and no abstentions, and was adopted unanimously as resolution 1997 (2011).

After the vote, the Council heard statements by the representatives of the United States, the United Kingdom and France, and by the President, speaking in his capacity as the representative of Germany.

6580th meeting — *Admission of new Members*

Note by the Secretary-General (S/2011/418)

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President, in accordance with the provisions of rule 59 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure, referred the application of the Republic of South Sudan for membership in the United Nations to the Committee on the Admission of New Members for examination and report.

General Assembly

Preparatory Committee for the United Nations Conference on the Arms Trade Treaty
Third session

1st meeting — *Opening of the session* [1]

The Chair declared opened the third session of the Preparatory Committee.

The Chair made a statement.

Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters [2]

The Preparatory Committee adopted the provisional agenda for its third session, as contained in document A/CONF.217/PC.III/L.1.

The Preparatory Committee adopted the provisional programme of work, as contained in document A/CONF.217/PC.III/L.2*.

Recommendations on the elements that would be needed to attain an effective and balanced legally binding instrument on the highest possible common international standards for the transfer of conventional arms [3]

The Chair drew the attention of the Preparatory Committee to document A/CONF.217/PC/III/1* and made a statement.

Statements were made by the representatives of Kuwait (on behalf of the Arab Group), Costa Rica, Barbados (on behalf of the Caribbean Community (CARICOM)), the European Union, Nigeria (on behalf of the African Group), Australia, the United States, Uganda, Spain, the Russian Federation, Norway, Trinidad and Tobago, Japan, Mexico (who read a joint statement, on behalf of the Bahamas, Chile, Colombia, Guatemala, Jamaica, Peru, Trinidad and Tobago and Uruguay) and the United Republic of Tanzania.

2nd meeting — *Recommendations on the elements that would be needed to attain an effective and balanced legally binding instrument on the highest possible common international standards for the transfer of conventional arms* [3]

Statements were made by the representatives of Republic of Korea, Bangladesh, India, China, the United Kingdom, Cuba, the Netherlands, Argentina, Uruguay, Ghana, Brazil, New Zealand, France, Israel, Switzerland, Pakistan, Fiji, Germany and Finland.

The Chair made a statement.

Summary of official meetings held away from Headquarters

Monday, 11 July 2011

General Assembly

International Law Commission
Sixty-third session
United Nations Office at Geneva

3102nd meeting — *Protection of persons in the event of disasters* [7]

The Commission adopted the following draft articles of which the Commission took note at its sixty-second session (A/CN.4/L.776): 6 (Humanitarian principles in disaster response); 7 (Human dignity); 8 (Human rights); and 9 (Role of the affected State).

The Special Rapporteur on protection of persons in the event of disasters, Mr. Eduardo Valencia-Ospina, introduced his fourth report on the topic (A/CN.4/643 and A/CN.4/643/Corr.1). The Commission began its consideration of the Special Rapporteur's fourth report.

Economic and Social Council

Substantive session of 2011
United Nations Office at Geneva

Coordination segment

23rd meeting — *Opening of the segment*

The Vice-President of the Council, H.E. Mr. Abulkalam Abdul Momen (Bangladesh), opened the coordination segment and made a statement.

Follow-up to the International Conference on Financing for Development [6 (a)]

The Council began its consideration of the item.

The Director of the Policy Integration Department and Senior Adviser to the Director-General of the International Labour Organization introduced the report of the Secretary-General.

General discussion

The Council began its general discussion of the item and heard statements by the representatives of Argentina (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), the Russian Federation, the United States, China, Mexico and the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela, as well as by the observers for Poland (on behalf of the European Union), Nepal (on behalf of the Least Developed Countries), Belarus, Indonesia, Cuba and Brazil.

A statement was made by the representative of CIVICUS: World Alliance for Citizen Participation, a civil society organization.

The Director of the Policy Integration Department and Senior Adviser to the Director-General of the International Labour Organization responded to the points raised by delegations during the discussion.

A statement was made by the Vice-President (Bangladesh).

Organization of work

A statement was made by the Vice-President (Bangladesh).

24th meeting

Follow-up to the International Conference on Financing for Development [6 (a)]

The Council continued its consideration of the item.

Panel discussion on "Global economic governance and development: Enhancing the coherence and consistency of the international monetary, financial and trading systems"

A statement was made by the Vice-President (Bangladesh).

The Moderator, Mr. Sha Zukang, Under-Secretary-General for Economic and Social Affairs, made an introductory statement.

Presentations were made by the following panellists: Mr. Petko Draganov, Deputy Secretary-General, United Nations Conference on Trade and Development; Mr. Christian Masset, Director-General of Global Affairs, Development and Partnerships, Ministry of Foreign and European Affairs, France; and Mr. Andrew Cornford, Counsellor, Observatoire de la Finance, Geneva.

The panellists responded to comments made and questions raised by the representatives of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela, Bangladesh, Mexico, Ecuador and Germany, as well as by the observers for Brazil and Indonesia.

A statement was made by the Moderator.

The Vice-President (Bangladesh) summarized the discussions.

Organization of work

A statement was made by the Vice-President (Bangladesh).

Signatures, Ratifications, etc.

[Multilateral Treaties Deposited with the Secretary-General]

Optional Protocol to the Convention against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment. New York, 18 December 2002

Ratification: Pakistan (5 July 2011)[1]

Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities. New York, 13 December 2006

Ratification: Pakistan (5 July 2011)[1]

[1] Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

General information

Chairs of the regional groups

The following information regarding the chairmanship of the regional groups for the month of *July 2011* has been communicated to the Secretariat:

African States:
Rwanda
H.E. Mr. Eugène-Richard Gasana

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Kyrgyzstan
H.E. Mr. Talaibek Kydyrov

Eastern European States:
Estonia
H.E. Mr. Margus Kolga

Latin American and Caribbean States:
Brazil
H.E. Ms. Maria Luiza Ribeiro Viotti

Western European and other States:
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